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Chairman Kevin J. Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Martin:


Variety the Children's Charity of Pittsburgh has worked with STAR 100.7 on several projects to benefit children living with disabilities. This incredible partnership between the two organizations has resulted in more than \$400,000 raised to help fund enabling equipment and to send children with disabilities and their siblings to summer camp. We are grateful to have their support and their friendship.

Zach is proud to show off the shiny new adaptive bicycle he received from Variety the Children's Charity. Zach was born with spina bifida and is paralyzed from the waist down. Like so many children with special needs, Zach wanted to be out riding bikes with the other kids in his neighborhood. Most parents can go to any bicycle shop or department store to purchase a bicycle for their child. However, as Zach's dad Ray advised from his recent experience, *"When you put the word adaptive in front of a bicycle, the cost triples making it unaffordable for families like us."*

Most families simply can't afford to purchase that vital piece of adaptive equipment for their child with all of the other costly expenses relative to their child's disability. With help from caring sponsors like STAR 100.7, Variety was able to provide Zach with an adaptive handcycle that allows him to bike with his friends and enjoy a favorite summer activity just like other kids. The opportunity to tell Zach's story on the radio resulted in many donations to Variety.

It is gratifying to know there are good people in the radio industry giving back to the community. The staff at STAR 100.7 is the best! At a time when negative news permeates the airwaves, it is uplifting to know there are radio stations sharing good news.

Sincerely,


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